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GAMBLING ON THE RAIN

Calcutta, Sept. 30. Police here have arrested a large number of people this summer for gambling on the rain during the monsoon. The police raided houses and found people gathered there placing bets on whether it would rain and how many inches. The police were not the only people to have the numbers for they learned that bandits had also raided the gambling dens and taken away all the valuable things they could find, secure in the knowledge that the gamblers dare not report the robbery.—China Mail Special.

Biological Medicine Convention

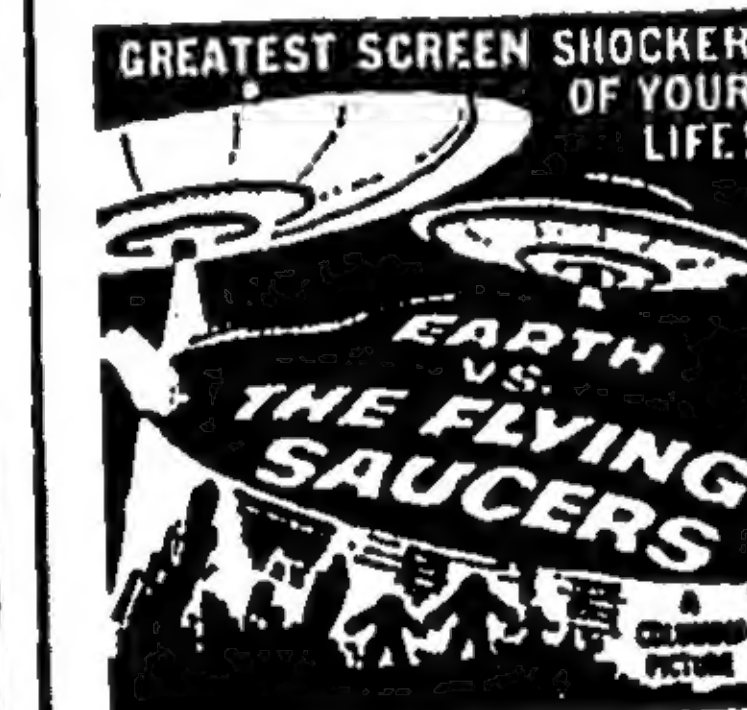
Tokyo, Sept. 30. Dr. Masami Kikuchi, of the National Japanese Preventive Medicine Institute, left today for Geneva to attend a committee meeting on biological medicine organized by the World Health Organisation. The six-day meeting, due to begin on October 6, is scheduled to discuss the establishment of standards for the manufacture of diphtheria, cholera and other epidemic serums, vaccines and antibiotic drugs. During his visit to Geneva, Dr. Kikuchi will make side trips to inspect the Pasteur Institute of France and the Swedish National Serum Institute at Stockholm.—Reuter.

TRUMAN HOPEFUL

New York, Sept. 30. Former President Harry Truman said today that the Democrats were gaining ground every day in the current election campaign. Truman said the Republicans must be in despair because the only thing they could find to do was to attack him (Truman). Truman is to attend a series of public meetings in Brooklyn and Queens.—France-Press.

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THOUGHT CONTROL HOLDS REDS

Simple Tactics Used On Korea Prisoners

Tokyo, Oct. 1.

The secret of Communist domination of about one-third of the world's population is thought control rather than the use of military force, according to Major William Mayer, United States military psychologist, who has specialised in the problems of prisoners of war in Korea.

Major Mayer is regarded as one of the leading American authorities on Communist brainwashing techniques. During his recent visit here, while on a mission to explain the American military code of conduct to United States troops in the Far East, he described these techniques as simple, cheap and effective.

Duty To Resist

He added that the code of conduct promulgated by President Eisenhower was a direct result of facts arising from the Korean War. Its essence is that even when captured by an enemy the American soldier remains on the battlefield and though that battlefield is then transferred to a prison camp, it remains the duty of a soldier to resist.

Major Mayer said that American interrogators have found that about one-third of all American troops captured during the Korean War had succumbed to Communist indoctrination and collaborated with the enemy to some extent.

Intelligence sources and personal interviews with repatriated American troops had revealed, he said, that the Communists achieved their ends by using mass indoctrination techniques, which not only turned the prisoners into docile groups but created suspicion and distrust among them, making them afraid to join anyone in any kind of effective resistance.

Major Mayer said that his own opinion was that many of the troops succumbed to Communist indoctrination because of a basic flaw in character. In many cases, troops who had collaborated with the enemy had little knowledge or faith in United States ideals, government or history.

There was often a complete lack of personal responsibility and a failure to maintain military discipline. Many of the collaborators appeared to have weak loyalties whether to family, community, country, religion or fellow soldiers.

He added that British troops captured in Korea appear to have been more successful than any other troops in resisting Communist indoctrination. The British quickly established their own prison camp committees and other organisations which proved remarkably successful in thwarting the Communists. But, he continued, so successful were the Communists in controlling United States prisoners that only six armed guards were needed to control 600 United States troops at one prison camp in Korea.

Simple Control

In terms of military economies, Major Mayer declared, this meant that 594 fully armed Communist troops could be sent to the front. Yet he doubted whether the Communists really ever tried to turn American prisoners into Communists.

Their immediate objective, he believed, was to make physical control of the prisoners as simple as possible. The long range objective was to sell the Communist idea that "resistance was useless" and that "sooner or later" Communists would control the world. To this end, a Communist "educator" was given a class of men and in a friendly way explained to the prisoners that Communists were not interested in killing or torturing them but simply in showing the prisoners the Communist point of view.

A Relief

That in itself was a relief to the prisoners, Major Mayer said. It was followed by some of the best education that some of the American troops had ever received. Classes were organised using books written by some of the best writers on social injustice in the West—such as Charles Dickens.

As the classes developed, the prisoners were asked to criticise the instruction while some prisoners were asked to identify similar characters among their comrades and to criticise them. By offering special favours to co-operative "students", the Communists gradually built up a situation in which prisoners were guided into criticising not only their own shortcomings but also those of their comrades.—Reuter.

Serious Charges Against Greek Royalty

Athens, Sept. 30.

THE Government today announced charges of financial juggling in Royal circles with a pledge to introduce tight new legislation controlling Court officials. The proposal followed weeks of heated charges and counter-charges involving the King and Queen as well as close Court advisers. The charges were brought by Opposition politicians and press, but supported by some pro-government newspapers also. They centred on the business connections of several Court

Campbell Smashes Water Speed Record



In upper picture Donald Campbell is shown setting a new world water speed record in his jet speedboat Bluebird on Lake Coniston, Lancashire. Runs of 230 and 164 miles an hour gave him an average of 225.30 m.p.h. In lower picture, taken after the record had been broken, the happy speed king is shown with his wife, Dorothy, and daughter, Georgina. — Reuter-photos.



SOAP POWDER A-BOMB

Sydney, Sept. 30.

Army issue soap powder and soap flakes played a big part in a mock atomic explosion near Sydney. The soap held together the bomb which had taken Australian army engineers two years to develop. Made from petrol, naphthalene and other ingredients the bomb produced the correct mushroom cloud. It was used to give army officers an idea of field problems they would face after an atomic attack. — China Mail Special.

13 Drowned On 'Coast Of Death'

Capetown, Sept. 30.

Thirteen fishermen lost their lives and fishing boats valued at more than £100,000 were wrecked or driven ashore in one of the most destructive winters the Cape has known.

The toll of lives along the "coast of death", which stretches for 14 miles along Gordon's Bay, is 61 over the past 12 years. The "coast of death" has also taken toll of anglers who are regularly washed off the rocks to their deaths. Now and then a swimmer is caught in a current and carried out to sea. — China Mail Special.

Somoza's Body Taken To Nicaragua

Managua, Nicaragua, Sept. 30.

A US airborne cortege brought the body of assassinated President Anastasio Somoza here today for burial in his homeland, which is now being guarded by his sons.

The booming of a 21-gun salute in honour of the dead President signalled the arrival of two US Air Force C-54s bringing in the body and its escort from the Panama Canal Zone, where the President died early yesterday.

President Somoza's widow and their daughter and son-in-law, the Ambassador to the United States and Mrs. Guillermo Sevilla Sacasa, flew here with the body. They were met here by the late President's two sons, Luis, who succeeded his father to the Presidency yesterday, and Colonel Anastasio Somoza, Jr., who heads the armed forces.

Lie In State

The body will lie in State until Tuesday, when it will be buried in the Army Officers' Mausoleum at the Managua Cemetery.

Nicaragua is observing a week's official mourning for the departed President. Other Latin American nations will mourn for one to three days. They include Costa Rica, principal centre of resistance to Somoza, while he lived.

Carry On Work

Nicaraguan refugees in Mexico City, where Nicaraguan officials charge, the assassination plot was hatched, expressed hope today the elder Somoza's death would be followed by an uprising against his sons. Alberto Gomez Reyes, editor of the refugee newspaper Voz de Nicaragua, said the country was on the verge of revolution and urged his countrymen to "carry on the work begun" by the President a week ago.—United Press.

SINGAPORE AFTER TOURISTS

Singapore, Sept. 30.

Mr R. W. Fenton, a New Zealand tourist expert, arrived in Singapore today to help the Government of this colony build up tourist trade.

Mr Fenton told reporters at the airport he was confident Singapore could be turned into a tourist attraction. He said tourists who had visited Singapore had reported favourably.

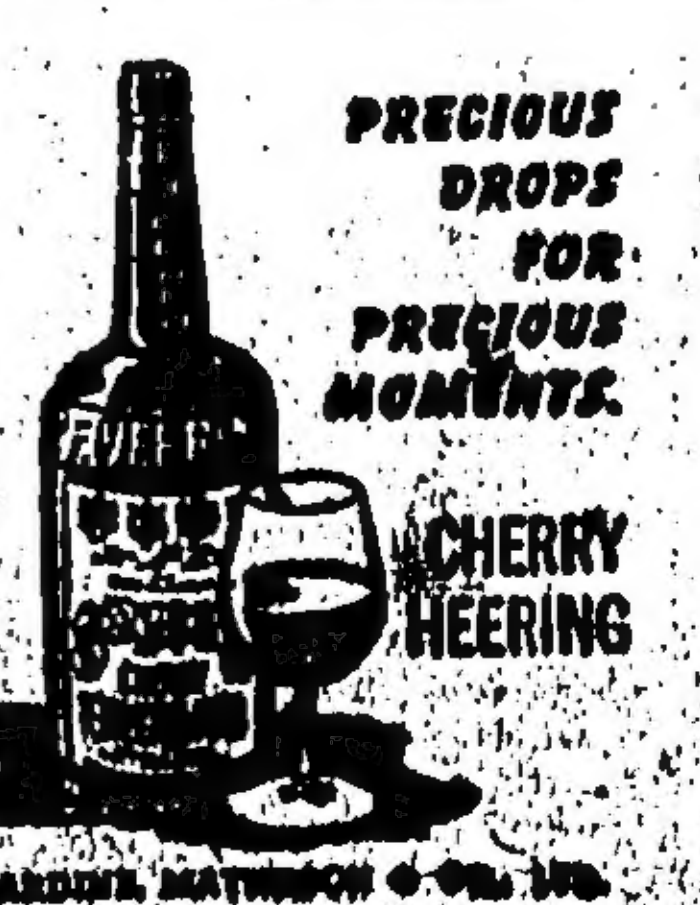
Mr Fenton, whose visit is sponsored by the New Zealand Government, will spend from three to six months in Singapore.

He said "publicity is the key to tourist success".—Reuter.

MORE CIVIL SERVANTS

Canberra, Sept. 30.

Total private employment in Australia at the end of June last was 2,050,200 persons, compared with 2,017,100 at the end of June, 1955, official figures showed. The total persons on the payrolls of Governments and Government authorities at the same time had reached a new peak—225,000. This compared with 221,200 in March, 1955.—China Mail Special.



French Premier Attacks Suez Canal Grab



M. GUY MOLLET

MAYORS MEET IN TOKYO

Tokyo, Sept. 30. A spokesman for the Tokyo Metropolitan Government said tonight mayors from cities abroad had continued to arrive in Tokyo to participate in the quinquennial ceremonies of the Japanese capital.

The spokesman said more than 100 invitations had been sent to the mayors of 70 countries to attend the ceremonies as well as to see the recovery made by the capital from the devastation of the last war.

The spokesman said a mayors' convention was due to begin here on October 1 and would end on October 4.

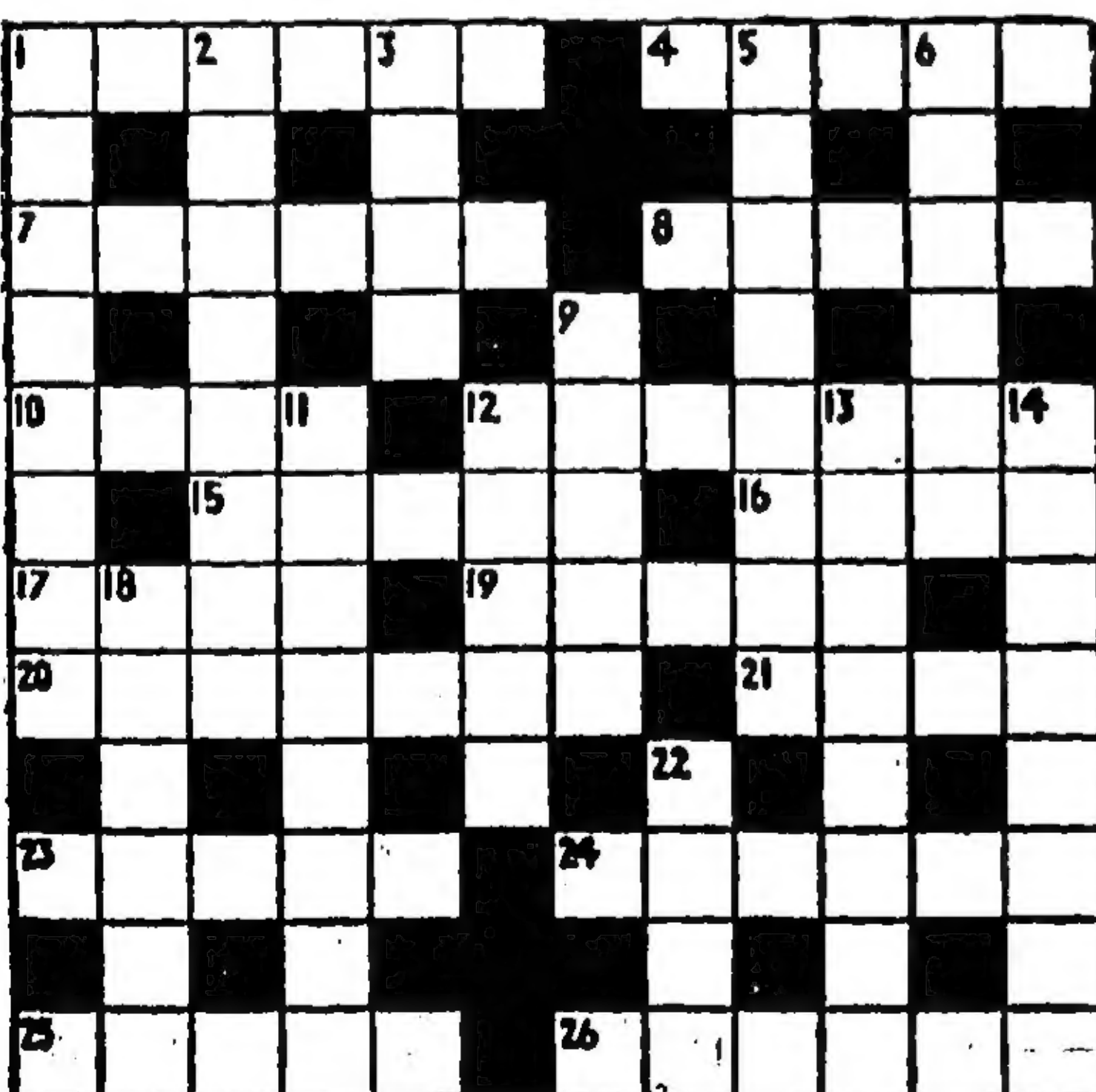
FOURTEEN DAYS

The quinquennial celebration was to continue for 14 days beginning tomorrow, the spokesman said.

Tonight the mayors attended a welcome banquet presided over by the Governor of Tokyo, Mr. Seichiro Yasui, where they were presented with replicas of the keys of Tokyo.

During their stay here the mayors will attend various official functions and during a series of meetings discuss city administration. Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- 1 Mariner (6).
 - 2 Chile (5).
 - 3 Excessively (6).
 - 4 China (5).
 - 5 Expression (4).
 - 6 Waste eagerly (7).
 - 7 Tooth (5).
 - 8 Bird's home (4).
 - 9 Smooth (4).
 - 10 Flowers (5).
 - 11 Inhabitant (7).
 - 12 Grave (4).
 - 13 Citrus fruit (5).
 - 14 Famous singer (6).
 - 15 Force open (5).
 - 16 Lower one's dignity (6).
- DOWN**
- 1 Scurred (8).
 - 2 Civic dignitaries (8).
 - 3 Confederate (4).
 - 4 Disciplinary (6).
 - 5 Precious stones (6).
 - 6 Bird (5).
 - 7 Prefect (8).
 - 8 Ventured (5).
 - 9 Determined (8).
 - 10 Obsolete (5).
 - 11 Thin covering (6).
 - 12 Secure (4).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 3 Riscorta, 8 Loller, 9 Solacing, 11 Rotainer, 12 Edge, 13 Dupes, 18 Errod, 19 Deho, 22 Supplied, 24 Retardio, 25 Angler, 30 Diligent, Dewes, 1 Alarm, 2 Vista, 3 Rosidue, 4 Iron, 5 Scar, 6 Lakide, 7 Sapped, 10 Lever, 14 Proud, 15 Sergeant, 16 Perrod, 17 Shaked, 20 Rile, 21 Adorn, 22 Saug, 23 Plan.

NASSER ABLE TO BLACKMAIL AND APPLY PRESSURE ON ALL USER NATIONS

Roubaix, Sept. 30.

French Premier Guy Mollet today declared in a speech at Roubaix that Egyptian President Gamal Abdel Nasser had no right to nationalist the universal Suez Canal Company.

M. Mollet said that through the Constantinople Convention of 1888 the Universal Suez Canal Company had "an international character which the Egyptian Government had no right to modify unilaterally."

"The existence of the company was indeed one of the guarantees of the free traffic through the Canal," M. Mollet said.

He added that the "universal" character of the company had been acknowledged by the Mixed Court of Appeals of Alexandria 30 years ago.

Free Traffic

"In deciding unilaterally to seize the Suez Canal without a preliminary understanding of the powers which are the guarantors of free traffic," M. Mollet said, "Colonel Nasser thus committed a deliberate violation of international law," M. Mollet said.

M. Mollet said the Ottoman Empire and later Egypt, in accepting the 1888 Convention, "agreed to an important abandonment of sovereignty."

He said that free traffic through the Canal meant in fact that "Egypt does not use force to expose the passage of ships," M. Mollet noted, that the convention stipulated that even if Egypt were at war, Egypt could not "halt the passage of ships through the Canal."

M. Mollet charged that Egypt had violated this for several years by refusing passage through the Canal to Israeli ships, despite the repeated injunctions of the Security Council, an attitude which permits one to doubt the value of the commitments that he might make in the future."

Hinder Passage

M. Mollet said that free traffic through the Canal was also guaranteed by the conditions in which the daily administration of the Canal is handled."

"It would be easy, in fact, for whoever controlled this administration, to hinder the passage of ships of any country or even to practically prevent the Canal's use by prohibitive tariffs or by discriminatory measures," M. Mollet added.

He charged that if Nasser "would become, as he claims, absolute master of the Canal, he might exercise at any time the most serious pressures or even real blackmail on the user countries or certain of them."

M. Mollet said that Nasser had not yet done this, but this did not mean that he would not do this morning. "Not only is the action of Colonel Nasser a violation of international morality, not only does it create a serious threat to trade relations between Europe and Asia, but it also is part of a plan of Pan-Arab expansionism that Colonel Nasser himself has disclosed," M. Mollet charged.

The Premier charged that Nasser's book, "The Philosophy of the Revolution," revealed Nasser's plan to unite first the Arab world, then the Moslem world, to constitute an immense force to liberate the peoples from the Atlantic to the Persian Gulf. M. Mollet added: "He has not hidden that he wants to exploit his geographical situation of his country and the oil resources of the Middle East."

"Will it be possible for the democracies to halt in time the expansionism of Nasser, as they broke that of Hitler and blocked that of Stalin?" M. Mollet asked.

Common Desire

"Yes, if the free peoples unite again in a common desire to enforce respect for law and justice," M. Mollet said. For this reason, France and Britain, since the beginning of the Suez Canal crisis, had sought to establish a solid position, grouping the largest possible number of nations.

Mollet said that after the talks he had in Paris with the British Prime Minister, Sir Anthony Eden, and after the last exchange of views with the American Government, "I can affirm that an international administration of the Canal is the sole solution acceptable to the United States, Britain and France."

"This motion of international administration, of international public service, is not new. It is the sole idea of progress in this field," M. Mollet said. "Permit me to quote what French Socialist leader Jean Jaures wrote 60 years ago, in 1896: 'It seems to me that Socialism should aim more and more at internationalizing the principal economic forces which divide peoples.'"

Chou Supports Nasser

Paris, Sept. 30. Chinese Communist Premier Chou En-lai said today "we support Egypt on the Suez Canal issue," the New China News Agency reported.

At a big reception for 2,000 foreign guests, who will attend Communist China's National Day celebrations tomorrow, Chou proposed a toast, with trade unionists from Arab countries, to the unity of the Chinese and Arab people and to Egypt's independence and sovereignty.

Chou exchanged friendly greetings with the guests in different languages during the one and a half hours reception.

Increase Friendship

He stressed the Chinese people's need for friends and a peaceful international environment for the Socialist reconstruction of their country, the agency said.

Chou said the Chinese people had always respected the friendship of various countries and hoped to increase this friendship in the future.

President Soekarno of Indonesia and Prime Minister Acharya of Nepal were among the guests from more than 80 countries who listened to the Chinese Premier's speech.

Chou said the many achievements of the Chinese people in building their country and in international affairs were inseparable from the friendship, sympathy and support of various countries. The Premier said that China, for that matter, was

M. Mollet added that the decision of France and Britain to take the Suez Canal dispute before the Security Council proved their desire for a peaceful settlement.

The Premier noted that the United Nations charter stipulated in article one that differences be settled by "peaceful means and in conformity with the principles of justice and international law." These two notions of respect for law and justice and the use of peaceful means were inseparable, Mollet said.

No Half Measures

Mollet noted that the American Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, stated during the second London conference on September 19 that the free peoples had just as much responsibility to seek a solution in conformity with the principles of justice as that of preventing the use of force.

"Nothing should be spared to ensure the peace, but peace at any price, the peace of Munich maintained in contempt of justice, would be the negation of all the efforts of international organization and the United Nations itself," M. Mollet declared.

"Still with Mr. Dulles, I consider that it would not be possible to resolve the Suez crisis by half measures in order solely to maintain peace."

"It is still necessary that we agree to put all the weight of our strength to support what we believe to be a solution in conformity with the principle of justice and international law," M. Mollet said.

He added that "on the eve of the Security Council debate, it is not useless to recall that the spirit of the United Nations charter is not a spirit of capitulation."

Stubborn Search

He said that "stubborn search for a peaceful solution can mean the acceptance by lassitude, of a full accomplice."

"As of now, Colonel Nasser knows that he cannot win. This must be pointed out because until the present world public opinion has been interested primarily in the difficulties that we, on our side, have encountered," M. Mollet said. France-Press.

her laurels, will continue to learn from other people, and to attain even greater achievements.

Chou then called for criticism of the Chinese people's shortcomings, declaring that such criticisms were the "best expression" of their friendship.

He said that contacts between government leaders and friendly visits to each other's countries would contribute greatly to world peace.

Among the guests attending the reception were members of various parliamentary missions, delegates from military, scientific, cultural, economic and other groups.

President Mao Tse-tung made a brief speech of welcome, wishing the guests good health.

Premier Chou then introduced Indonesian President Soekarno, who said he was happy to take part in China's National Day celebrations.

Close Friends

Soekarno extended his greetings to the Chinese people, adding: "The Indonesian people feel that the victories of the Chinese people are like their own."

"Indonesia and China are close friends. I hope that China and its people will continue to advance and co-operate with Indonesia to achieve prosperity and peace," Soekarno said.

Pineau Takes His Leave



M. Christian Pineau, the French Foreign Minister, takes leave of Sir Anthony Eden, the British Prime Minister, after a lunch at 10 Downing Street, London. M. Pineau was in London for talks on the Suez Canal crisis. Central Press Photo.

Princess Margaret Swims In Island Lagoon

Port Louis, Sept. 30.

Princess Margaret, in a pale blue bathing costume and white cap, went swimming today in the clear blue lagoon of the sheltered little bay of Le Chaland, cordoned off by a strong force of police. Women police with life saving training stood by as a precaution.

MASONIC VILLAGE FOR AGED

Auckland, Sept. 30. The most ambitious project yet attempted in Australia or New Zealand to help with housing the aged, will begin soon with the calling of tenders for the first stage of the Riverside Masonic Village at Mount Wellington, Auckland.

It will provide eventually for 300 old people, irrespective of race, creed, or whether or not they are freeholders, at an estimated cost of about £500,000.

Funds for the project are being given by members of the Masonic craft under the New Zealand, English, Irish and Scottish constitutions, which have formed the Northern Masonic Association to develop and run the homes.

OTHER PLANS

They plan also, when the time is opportune, to undertake a hostel and hospital.

The village is to be erected on a 40-acre block. In addition to living units, it will have a chapel, recreation hall, gardens, bowling greens, croquet lawns, library, room for arts, crafts and hobbies, and workshops. There will even be a pier for fishing.

Trustees planning the village are hopeful of a substantial State grant.

Units in their preliminary form consist of living room, bedroom, toilet facilities including shower, small kitchenette and terrace. They will be for both married couples and single men and women.—China Mail Special.

Coins Belong To Rome

Rome, Sept. 30. COINS thrown by tourists into the Trevi fountain published all over the world by the film "Three Coins in the Fountain" are the property of the City of Rome, an Italian court decided here.

There is a popular Roman tradition that if a person throws a coin into the basin of the huge fountain he will be sure to return to Rome one day. Three young Romans who were "tourists" themselves, however, decided that they would not risk the coin on a game.

Ike Appeals For Charity Support

Washington, Sept. 30. President Eisenhower appealed to all Americans tonight in a recorded radio and television address to support the annual appeal for funds of charitable relief agencies grouped under the United Community Welfare Drive.

The Columbia Broadcasting System decided to carry the address after Mr. Adlai Stevenson and several minor party presidential candidates had waived claims for equal broadcast time to which they were technically entitled.

Mr. Stevenson told CBS that since the President's talk was non-political he would "gladly relinquish the right to ask for equal time."—Reuter.

US Election Could Be Swayed By Servicemen

Washington, Sept. 30.

United States citizens and Armed Servicemen in foreign countries will have a good chance to sway the presidential election result on November 6, according to political experts here.

With a probability of extremely close returns at the polls in many states between President Eisenhower and Adlai Stevenson, both the Republicans and Democratic parties are making a systematic effort to attract the eligible "absentee voters" inside and outside of the United States. In a few states the absentee might determine the result.

Experts estimate that somewhere between 6,000,000 and 7,000,000 eligible voters may be absent from their regular residences on election day, and will therefore return their ballots by mail.

Requirements

Probably at least one-fourth of these will be abroad at the time of election. Census Bureau estimated that 900,000 United States servicemen were overseas on August 1, 1956.

Large numbers of citizens in the diplomatic service, merchant marine, and government service are entitled to vote if they fulfill the preliminary electoral requirements of their home states and districts.

Abolition of voting rights as controlled by the respective state laws of 48 states and not by national law, and the eligibility requirements vary widely. Some states permit voting by businessmen present from their regular residence, and a few would accept ballots from tourists travelling abroad.

Within the United States the number of absentee voters will be large because of the many persons engaged in transportation industries. Railway men, aviation crews, truck-drivers absent from home on their normal activities can in many states vote absentee ballots. United States Government workers in Washington send ballots by mail to their home states.

Service Bureau

Annual postcards, post-free, will be sent to United States military, naval and merchant marine establishments abroad. Through these postcards, potentially eligible voters can communicate directly with the secretary of state of their home states and apply for ballots. Military companies abroad usually appoint someone to assist potential voters.

Some states accept absentee ballots from persons on religious pilgrimages. A Voters' Service Bureau of the Democratic National Committee has compiled summaries of the registration and voting laws in 48 states which will be distributed to absentee voters both in and out of the United States.

Many of the individual states count absentee ballots even though they are received some time after election day. In Rhode Island, for example, such ballots would be counted if received by the Board of Election.

Might Not Know

As a result there is a theoretical possibility—in the event of an extremely close contest—that the result of the presidential race might not be known until some days after election day November 6.

An individual state might not know which group of presidential electors had won until it received delayed mail up to its legal deadline. In the election of 1944, the absentee ballots determined the outcome of the election in New Jersey, favourable to the Democratic Party. In that year an extraordinary number of soldiers voted in absentia from home.

The importance attached by the political parties to even small groups of absentee or minority results from the complex nature of the United States electoral system. The President and Vice-President are not elected by a majority of the total national votes, but by a majority of a so-called "electoral college."

Great Influence

The electoral college is composed of groups of electors chosen by each state, and a plurality of votes within an individual state determines the choice of that state's entire number of electors. Consequently, a narrow excess of popular votes in any state sometimes has a very great influence on the composition of the electoral college.—United Press.

German Bishop Invited To China

Berlin, Sept. 30.

A delegation of Chinese Christians has invited Bishop Otto Dibelius to visit China. The invitation was extended to Bishop Dibelius through East German Evangelical Church representatives. The Chinese delegation, described as "Chinese Christians," returned to China yesterday after a visit to East Germany. The invitation was disclosed by the East Berlin newspaper Neues Zeit.

Bishop Dibelius is Evangelical Bishop of Berlin and the East German Province of Brandenburg. As chairman of the Council of German Evangelical Churches, he is titular head of the German Protestants.—United Press.

LUCKY TOWN

Wellington, Sept. 30.

Papakura, near Auckland, has been in the money with lottery winnings since last November. Three first prizes worth £30,000 have been won.—China Mail Special.

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A NEW, specially planned lighting system now lights Esbjerg harbour, Denmark's third largest port.

The harbour occupies an area of about 350 acres, includes about four miles of wharves, and handles about 100,000 tons of shipping each year.

In addition to passengers travelling on the Harwich-

Esbjerg passenger service, about 500,000 tons of imports and 350,000 tons of exports pass through it annually. Exports consist mainly of agricultural and dairy products for the United Kingdom.

In 1953, the Esbjerg Electricity and Heating Supply Company decided to alter the supply of electricity to the Esbjerg harbour district from direct current to alternating current, and it was decided to replace the lighting system, which consisted of filament lamp fittings mounted on iron lattice masts and wooden poles, with a modern installation which would give the best light output most economically.

BOOST TO CHEMICAL OUTPUT

A long-term expansion programme to increase the manufacture of new industrial chemicals from petroleum has been announced by a big British chemical company.

The company will spend some £15 million on the first stage of the programme.

A new factory will be built on a 100-acre site alongside the refinery at Fawley, Hampshire, from which it will draw feedstock for conversion into a variety of raw materials for the plastics, textile, rubber, paint, paper and other manufacturing industries.

The first plant will manufacture 10,000 tons of polyethylene a year. Survey work is being carried out on the site, construction will begin shortly and production is to start in 1958.

MOST VERSATILE

Polyethylene, one of the most versatile of plastics, is being used increasingly in many types of packaging and for cable coatings, seamless tubing and thousands of articles for industrial and household use.

The next products in the company's programme will be copolymers of acrylonitrile, butadiene and other monomers. The copolymers have a wide range of uses in the rubber, paint, plastics, paper and other industries.

Following this a major plant will be built for the manufacture of acrylonitrile, an important chemical not yet made in Britain. Acrylonitrile is an essential raw material for synthetic polymers and synthetic fibres used in the production of high quality clothing fabrics and other textile fabrics.

This expansion programme follows the company's policy of maintaining and developing indigenous sources of basic raw materials for use by exporting industries.

The new products to be manufactured will add to Britain's export trade not only in bulk raw materials but indirectly in finished goods.

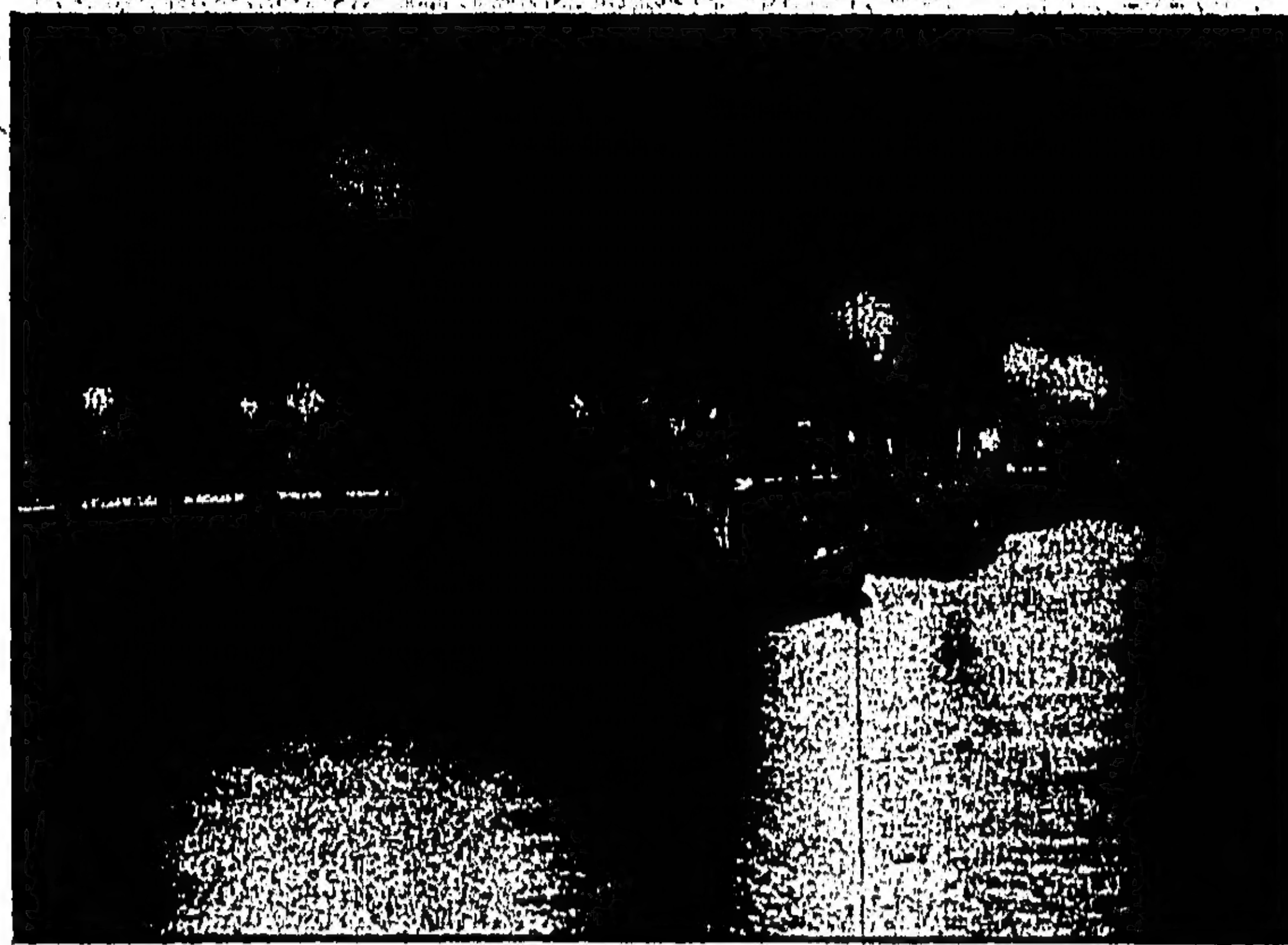
Dredger For Takoradi

At Clyde shipyards, work on two vessels, a motor coaster for Tasmanian owners and a dredger for Takoradi, is now sufficiently far advanced for the shipbuilders to complete the vessels and they have carried out successful trials.

At Greenock, George Brown and Company have handed over the motor coaster, Lemana, of 900 tons deadweight, built for William Holyman and Son, Pty Limited, of Launceston, Tasmania.

The new vessel has a length of 195 ft breadth of 32½ ft and depth of 15½ ft. Accommodation for officers and crew is in keeping with present-day requirements and navigational equipment includes wireless, echo sounding and radar. The cargo gear includes eight five-ton electric winches and the hatch covers are McGregor steel single-pulley type. Propelling machinery supplied by British Polar Engines, Glasgow, consists of a five-cylinder diesel engine and gives the Lemana a mean speed of 11½ knots in ballast conditions.

Libnitz and Company, Renfrew, have completed the non-propelled dredger and rock cutter Amantul, of 275 tons, built for the Crown Agents for the Colonies for service at Takoradi.



New Way Of Packaging In Polythene

ONE way of making polythene is to extrude it as a continuous tube. This method has been used by a British firm to produce Diathene bags in a roll, a patented product sold under the name of "Perforoll".

The process consists of sealing and scoring across with perforations at regular intervals a length of Diathene tubing.

The perforations are just below the seal, which becomes the bottom of the bag when it is torn off the roll.

Printed in up to three colours and in a wide range of sizes, the bags are ideal for pre-packaging, and in roll form are much cheaper than separately.

The same firm, The Metal Box Company Ltd., of The Langham, Portland Place, London, W1, supplies flat Diathene

sheeting in "Perforoll" form for other types of wrapping. This does away with the extra work and occasional wastage of film which arise when sections are torn off a plain roll against a serrated bar.

Another new product of the company is a polythene "snap-on" cap for glass vials—latest

addition to its range of injection moulded thermo-plastic closures.

Attractive in appearance, the cap is ideal for the dispensary, being easy to remove or replace. An aluminium ear-off seal can be fitted over the cap, giving tamper-proof protection, but this is not absolutely necessary.

Fractional HP Motors

Fractional Horse Power motors, made at the Hoover (Electric Motors) Ltd factory at Cambuslang, Lanarkshire, Scotland, are now being used throughout the world to power a wide range of industrial equipment.

One of the dealers in these motors in the export markets is Mr Chop Seng Yip of Singapore and among the applications for which he has sold them are coconut crushing machines which are used to extract coconut oil for various purposes including soap making.

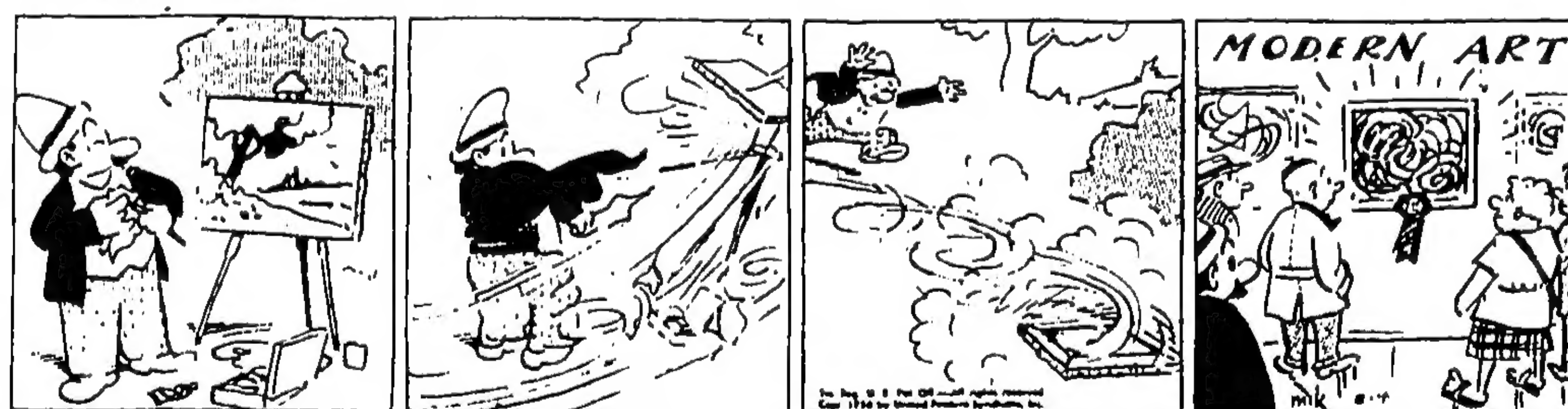
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Latest RT Equipment For Manchester Ship Canal Tug

Said to be one of the most advanced vessels of her kind afloat the Manchester Ship Canal Company's new £90,000 "super" tug, MSC Sabre, which has just gone into service, is fitted with some of the latest VHF radio-telephone equipment supplied by Automatic Telephone & Electric Company Ltd.

The placing of this order follows the setting up by this company some time ago of a shore-based VHF network to control shipping along the entire length of the 32-mile canal.

Three shore stations were established at Manchester, Latchford locks, and Eastham locks, to ensure that there was at all times speedy communication between the Canal Company's control points and the tugs and other vessels in its service.

The new tug's amplitude modulated 10 watt multi-channel VHF equipment has been designed to work into the main network, and so add to the safety and all-round efficiency of the canal's operation.

The first of four twin-screw tugs ordered for the Ship Canal, Sabre, has many revolutionary features. There is no funnel to obstruct the Skipper's view, and a novel form of hydroconic construction—coupled with twin-rubber steering—has given her remarkable manoeuvrability.

During tests it was found that the tug could turn at full speed (10 knots) in approximately two-and-a-half times her own length (97 ft.) (29.7 m.) and when stationary could, in fact, complete a turn within a length.

A loud-hailer unit—an essential for any tug—has been incorporated in the VHF equipment to give an audio output of 10 watts. In line with the general high standard of the vessel's other equipment, the centrally-heated crew's quarters and recreational facilities, are far in advance of those provided previously.

The three other tugs of the same type at present on order, are expected to be in service before the end of the year.

MEDIUM POWER BATTERY CHARGERS

New medium power battery chargers developed by The General Electric Co. Ltd. are lightweight industrial units designed particularly for the small garage, or small vehicle owner requiring facilities for full rate as well as trickle charging.

They are admirably suited for use by small haulage contractors, garages, shipyards and general utility services, for charging the batteries of cars, vans, small trucks and marine craft.

There are two models—one for charging up to two 12V batteries at a maximum charging rate of 2½ amp and the other for charging up to one 12V battery at a maximum charging rate of 5 amp.

Each model can be supplied for use either in a temperate climate or in a tropical climate with temperatures over 35°C (85°F).

Both chargers are designed to give either a full rate charge or a trickle charge and when charging a 6V battery can be scaled down to approximately ½ amp.

SNAP ACTION

The equipment is supplied complete with an ammeter, a snap-action rotary switch and rotary resistance, providing coarse and fine control, an output fuse on the front panel, and two screened captive output terminals clearly marked positive and negative.

To adjust the input supply, the rear panel is removed and the correct voltage selected by adjusting the fused plug at the rear of the transformer covering GEC rectifiers with bridge type selenium cells to BS2709 are used in the charger which has air-cooled double wound transformers with earthed screen to BS171. Primary tapings are 200/220/240V, 40/100 c/s.

Secondary windings are suitably tapped for output voltage control and rectifier ageing. The battery chargers are housed in a sheet steel case finished in hammered grey-green enamel and are suitable for wall or bench mounting. Overall dimensions are 11½ in. x 10½ in. x 13½ in.

London Shoe & Leather Exhibitions

A special welcome awaits visitors from overseas at Britain's 47th Shoe and Leather Fair, to be staged in the Grand Hall of Olympia, London, from October 1 to 5.

In addition to finished shoes of all kinds, exhibitors will include a selection of all the machinery and equipment employed in the industry.

Plastic materials, chemicals and dyestuffs used in the manufacture of shoes, and raw and dressed hides will be other features of the Fair. Visitors to the Fair will be equally welcome at the popular "Fashion in Footwear" Exhibition which has now become a well established show at the Washington Hotel in London's Curzon Street.

The Exhibition will run concurrently with the Shoe and Leather Fair, and will be open to trade buyers only.

The exhibitors each occupy a room or suite of rooms where they will display their products and to receive customers in comfort. Show-places of the Exhibition will be the programme of mannequin parades in which styles for the forthcoming seasons will be seen.

Details of the Shoe and Leather Fair are available from the organisers, Granville House, Arundel Street, London, W1. Inquiries about the Fashion in Footwear Exhibition can be addressed to Exhibition Department, "Footwear" Drury House, Russell Street, Drury Lane, London, W1.

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